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he requested that one of the plague sheds at Alleppey might be utilized for the purpose.

Dewan's reply.—There is a hospital now at Trivandrum for incurables, which is not at all full and to which the incurables of Alleppey may be sent. But unless segregation is made compulsory, nothing can be done. We shall enquire into the matter. In regard to the proposal to use one of the plague sheds at Alleppey for the purpose temporarily, that also will be considered.

56. *Veterinary hospitals.*

Mr. M. Madhavan Tampi (Member, Kalkulam Taluk) suggested the establishment of Veterinary hospitals. The cattle in his Taluk numbered about twenty-five thousand, and in all the southern taluks, about a lakh and fifty thousand, and every year a great number of them was being attacked with various diseases and finally lost to the agriculturists. This, he attributed to the want of proper treatment, and said that a Veterinary hospital in the Division would secure the necessary relief.

Dewan's reply.—We have a Veterinary officer. It is part of his duty to tour through the State. Kalkulam will no doubt get a share of his services.

VII. Education.

57. *Primary education and manual training in primary schools.*

Mr. C. Krishna Pillai (Member, Trivandrum Taluk) said that, in the introduction of manual training, the initial step was taken by Government during the administration of that talented and generous minister Mr. V. P. Madhava Rao, the father of the precious institution of the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly, but that his generous attempt somehow fell through, and that the country was looking forward to the present Dewan to carry out the scheme. He remarked that the existing system of education was one-sided in that it developed the literary side and produced men fit only for Government service. The supply in that respect was greater than the demand. Manual labour was being regarded as below one's dignity. They were feeling helpless and Government were not coming to their help. The member dwelt upon the merits and advantages of manual training and knowledge of the sciences, and said that they had contributed not a little to the industrial development, commercial activity and material prosperity of Japan, America, Germany and other civilized countries. He also referred to the astonishing progess made in Baroda in respect of

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